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meetings, processions, jathas, etc., in Kodoth village for a period of 15 days from 3rd January 1955 and which the hon. Member disobeyed, Sir.

"(*a*) When a Magistrate promulgates an order under section 144, Criminal Procedure Code, it is the duty of the Police force to help him in enforcing that order. The Police do it as part of their normal duties in connexion with the maintenance of law and order. It will not be possible to compute the expenditure incurred in this case separately.

"(*b*) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the answer to starred question No. 2594 given notice of by Sri K. P. Gopalan, M.L.A."

SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM :—"இந்த 144 தடை உத்திரவைப் பிறப்பித்த மாஜிஸ்ட்ரேட் யாருடைய ஆலோசனையின்பேரில் இந்த உத்திரவைப் பிறப்பித்தார்கள். யார் யார் பேரில் புகார்கள் வந்தனவோ அவர்களையெல்லாம் கூப்பிட்டுக் கேட்டபிறகே இந்தத் தடை உத்திரவு பிறப்பிக்கப்பட்டதா ?"

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—"For all these cases, certain procedure is laid down and that procedure is always followed."

SRI S. PANCHAKSHARAM :—"Sir, the question is about the expenses in connexion with the promulgation of the order under section 144. Does it cost anything more than the tom-tom charges?"

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—"That will cost a few annas."

Honorary Medical Officers.

* 1594 *Q.*—SRI A. VELOO (on behalf of Sri S. P. Thangavelu) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) the age of superannuation fixed for Honorary Medical Officers; and

(*b*) whether the Government made any exception to the above in the appointment of an Honorary Medical Officer, recently, and if so, why?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—"(*a*) No age-limit has been fixed. But Honorary Medical Officers who have attained the age of 55 years and who wish to continue in service have to produce a certificate of physical fitness.

"(*b*) Yes, Sir; in view of the high Post-Graduate qualifications of the applicants and in some cases in view of the dearth of suitable applicants for the posts, persons who had attained the age of 55 years have occasionally been appointed."